

City of Burien

BURIEN PLANNING COMMISSION
March 11, 2015
7:00 p.m.
Multipurpose Room/Council Chambers
MINUTES

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CALL TO ORDER

Chair Jim Clingan called the March 11, 2015, meeting of the Burien Planning Commission to order at 7:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Jim Clingan, Butch Henderson, Curtis Olsen (arrived at 7:07 p.m.), Amy Rosenfield, Douglas Weber

Absent: Joey Martinez and Brooks Stanfield

Administrative staff present: Chip Davis, Community Development director; David Johanson, senior planner

AGENDA CONFIRMATION

Direction/Action

Motion was made by Commissioner Henderson, seconded by Commissioner Weber, to approve the agenda for the March 11, 2015, meeting. Motion passed 4-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Direction/Action

Motion was made by Commissioner Henderson, seconded by Commissioner Weber, and passed 4-0 to approve the minutes of the February 25, 2015, meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

A. Public Meeting: 2015 Comprehensive Plan Docket

David Johanson, senior planner, gave a brief presentation outlining the docketing process and introducing the preliminary docket for 2015. He noted that the Critical Areas Ordinance must be updated this year. He reported that the legal notice announcing the opportunity to apply for a Comprehensive Plan amendment was published on Dec. 28 in the Seattle Times. By code the deadline

to apply for an amendment was March 1st; since that date fell on a Sunday this year, the deadline was extended to 5 p.m. on Monday, March 2nd. The City received two amendment requests.

Mr. Johanson said this evening's meeting is the required public meeting to receive comments on the proposed Comprehensive Plan amendment docket. The docket must be established by May 1st. The Planning Commission has its meetings on March 11th and 25th to formulate a recommendation to the City Council, and the Council will have its April 6 and 20 meetings to set the docket by resolution.

One request for an amendment included payment of the required fee; staff has provided a review of the docketing criteria for the request. The proposed amendment would reclassify three parcels from Office to High-Density Multi-Family Neighborhood and rezone from Office to Residential Multi-Family 48 (RM-48).

A second request was submitted without payment of the fee, he said. The request is to reclassify one parcel in northeast Burien from Moderate Density Residential Neighborhood to High Density Multi-Family Neighborhood and rezone from RS-7,200 to Residential Multi-family 18 (RM-18).

Mr. Johanson noted that work on the Economic Development element of the plan will be undertaken later this year. He said work also is needed on the downtown section of the plan, which will be started if time allows. If not, it will be done next year.

The commissioners discussed the proposed docket items. Melina Lin, representing the LLC owning the three parcels in one of the requests, provided some clarification about the surrounding land uses and about the density being requested.

Chair Clingan noted that the commissioners have the option of making a recommendation to the City Council at this meeting or to further consider the proposed docket and make a recommendation at the meeting on March 25th. Commissioner Henderson said he felt the recommendation should be made by the full commission on March 25th.

Mr. Johanson pointed out that the packet includes the original request submitted by Anna and Rick Friel but after the packet was mailed they submitted another copy that is slightly different, so that copy has been provided to the commissioners this evening and will be included in the next meeting packet.

Chip Davis, Community Development Department assistant, announced that the commissioners will have a joint meeting with the City Council on Monday, March 23rd, to begin work on the Critical Areas Ordinance (CAO) update. The regular commission meeting on March 25th is still on the schedule, although with advance notice the commissioners could convene following the joint meeting and to make a recommendation on the proposed 2015 Comprehensive Plan amendment docket.

PLANNING COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS

None.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Davis said there will be a short meeting of the mayor, deputy mayor, commission chair, commission vice chair and staff on March 18th to set the framework for the joint meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Direction/Action

Commissioner Henderson moved for adjournment. Motion carried 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

APPROVED: March 25, 2015

/s/ Jim Clingan, chair

Planning Commission